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Idaho Garden Bean Seed Acreage, Production, and Value

A garden bean seed survey was conducted in Idaho for the 2005 crop year by the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Idaho's garden bean seed production was estimated at 29.0 million pounds, down from the 33.5 million pounds produced in 2004. A total of 17,000 acres of garden seed beans were harvested in Idaho for the 2005 crop, down from 19,500 acres harvested in 2004. The average clean yield per harvested acre was 1,710 pounds, down less than one percent from the average yield of 1,720 pounds achieved in 2004. The farm level value of production for the 2005 crop was \$11.7 million, down from \$13.9 million for the 2004 crop.

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